AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Austin Central Library

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Board Secretary Casey Burack 512-369-6040

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 2:00 PM

2:06 PM Meeting Called to Order 4:38 PM Meeting Adjourned

I. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

II. Technical Advisory Committee Reports

Ex-Officio Member, Gina Fiandaca, shared the reports on behalf of the Engineering, Architecture and Construction Committee (EAC) and the Planning, Sustainability, Equity, and DBE Committee (PSEC).

The EAC agenda items were:

- Blue Line Bridge Update
- Design Workshops

The PSEC agenda items were:

- Cost discussion
- Combined Maintenance Facility

III. Executive Director Report

Executive Director, Greg Canally, announced that the next ATP Board Meeting would be at the new ATP office downtown. Mr. Canally discussed the steps he and staff are taking to ensure that the board meetings are the most effective use of time by streamlining and condensing communications.

General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer, Casey Burack, discussed how the staff plans to respond to the Board's request to evaluate Board communications and policies.

Board Member Stratton asked if for an update on the Executive Director recruiting process from the Chair and Board Member Elkins at the next Board meeting.

IV. Monthly Program Update

1. Monthly Community Engagement Update

Jackie Nirenberg, Director of Community Engagement, mentioned that the three-month Community Engagement look-ahead and the participation numbers for each meeting over the previous month are in the online backup materials. Ms. Nirenberg discussed the Drag working group meeting, which had a huge turnout of 170 people online and 251 live streams. She discussed feedback received in this meeting and the concerns over business impacts.

Ms. Nirenberg addressed a request from the Board to look at the demographics of participants attending the community meetings. ATP does not require individuals to complete a demographic questionnaire to participate, believing this should not be a barrier to participation, and about 40% do not submit the optional information. She described the demographic data collected to date.

Vice-Chair Burnette asked if there is a way we can get more creative about how we ask demographic questions.

Board Member Stratton asked how we are working to interact with different community groups that might help us access a more diverse demographic. Ms. Nirenberg talked about their work to reach more groups and overcome a lack of trust in some of our communities. The Board Members discussed different groups that might partner with our team on engagement and outreach.

The Board took a few minutes to recognize the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) for being named the Best Civic Volunteers by the Austin Chronicle. CAC Chair Awais Azhar was in attendance and recognized by the ATP Board and said a few words about the work of the CAC.

V. Action Items

1. Approval of minutes from the May 18 Austin Transit Partnership Board Meetings.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Castro de Barrera

SECONDER: Adler

AYES: Castro de Barrera, Stratton, Elkins, Adler, Pierce Burnette

ABSENT:

2. Approval of ATP Audit Charter

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Adler SECONDER: Elkins

AYES: Castro de Barrera, Stratton, Elkins, Adler, Pierce Burnette

ABSENT:

VI. Discussion Items

1. <u>Discussion of Title VI Program Plan for ATP</u>

Courtney Chavez, ATP's Director of Equity & Inclusion, provided this update.

Ms. Chavez provided background on Title VI programs and what I required by the FTA in a Title VI program. Ms. Chavez will bring the Title VI program plan to the Board in July for a vote.

Chair Castro de Barrera asked Ms. Chavez about the request from last year from the FTA for feedback and if ATP is participating in this. Ms. Chavez replied that she did submit some guidance and suggestions and that the FTA has not released the outcomes. Once released, we will know if any changes to the ATP Title VI program are required.

2. <u>Discussion of upcoming interlocal grant agreements with CapMetro</u>

Brandon Carr, ATP Deputy Counsel, provided this update.

Mr. Carr shared the list of upcoming agreements and approximately when they will come to the ATP Board for a vote. Drafting of the ILAs for the Red Line Project and MetroRapid Lines with CapMetro is underway, with the goal of finalizing by the July Board Meeting.

VII. Adjournment

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